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November 18, 2022

From: General Manager John Weidenfeller

To: PUD Commissioners

Subject: Emergency Waiver of Competitive Bidding Requirements Per RCW 39.04.280(2)(b)
Water Main Break at Tri-Lakes Loop SE – Pattison (500) Water System

Commissioners:

In accordance with RCW 39.04.280(2)(b), I declare that an emergency exists and have waived the small works roster competitive bidding requirements.

On the morning of Friday, November 18, 2022, a water main break was discovered on Tri-Lakes Loop SE in the Pattison (500) water system service area. The leak caused the asphalt road to bubble and threatened to cause significant damage to the road itself. To prevent further damage to Tri-Lakes Loop SE, I declared an emergency waiver of the competitive bidding requirements as authorized under RCW 39.04.280. Due to the extensive level of work and specialized equipment needed to repair the water main break, a qualified underground utility contractor will be used to perform this work. Of the 1,667 customers served by this water system, 35 customers will be affected during the outage to repair the water main break.

Authorization to award and expedite necessary contracts on behalf of PUD No. 1 of Thurston County to address this emergency is approved. The emergency action and waiver of the competitive bidding requirements are necessary.

This is the written finding required by the applicable RCW of the existence of an emergency. This written finding is brought to notify the Commission and the public at the next available public meeting. This finding is duly entered of record no later than two weeks following the award of the contract.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Weidenfeller".

John Weidenfeller
General Manager